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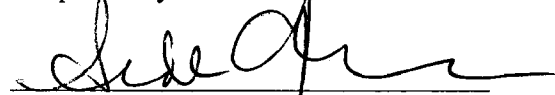
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action issued December 10, 2009 in connection with the above-referenced application. In the Office Action, the Examiner has required an election of species. In response, applicant hereby elects **Species A** for prosecution at this time.

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